



Aiming to build a global network of emerging leaders and to broaden international understanding at Yale, the World Fellows Program each year brings to Yale 16 to 18 highly accomplished men and women from a diverse set of countries around the world. The Fellows spend an intensive semester exploring critical issues through a program of individualized academic enrichment, a World Fellows Seminar, and leadership training with the full resources of Yale University at their disposal. Selected from outside the United States at an early mid-career point (generally five to fifteen years into their professional development), the World Fellows come from a range of fields and disciplines including government, business, nongovernmental organizations, religion, academia, the military, media, and the arts. Guided by a faculty adviser, each Fellow crafts a program designed to advance his or her own knowledge base, breadth of understanding, and skills. Building on access to the students, faculty, alumni, and Yale visitors, the Fellows have an opportunity to prepare for greater roles of leadership, expand their professional and personal horizons, and contribute to a deepening of international awareness and dialogue within the Yale community.

The Yale World Fellows Program helped me to sharpen my leadership skills and develop a vision for a new Uganda and resurgent Africa."

Norbert Mao, MP and Presidential Candidate, Uganda

I built ties to many people at Yale and developed my network of contacts around the world of others committed to similar concerns." Kamala Chandrakirana, NGO Leader, Indonesia



The Program

THE SEMINAR

At the core of the Program is a twice weekly seminar. Taught by some of Yale University's most distinguished Faculty, this highly rigorous survey immerses Fellows in a wide range of subject matter from classic philosophical texts, to the latest academic research, to cutting-edge policy questions. Fellows engage each other in spirited debate about competing theories of democracy, economic development, and social justice. Together they review analyses and case studies drawn from business, government, and the non-profit realms.

THE UNIVERSITY

Outside of the Seminar, World Fellows can take Yale University courses in management, law, history, political science, economics, or any other area of personal interest. Through its four-year undergraduate college, graduate school of arts and sciences, and ten professional schools, Yale offers more than 3,000 courses.

INDIVIDUALIZED RESEARCH

With the aid of a faculty adviser who serves as a guide to University resources, Yale World Fellows are encouraged to undertake research projects relating to leadership challenges they will face when they return home.

WORLD FELLOWS DISCUSSION SERIES

Once a week, World Fellows gather for private dinner discussions with prominent individuals from the worlds of business, government, journalism, the non-profit sector, and international affairs. Past Fellows have met with U.N. Secretary General Kofi Annan, Brazil's Foreign Minister Celso Lafer, U.S. Supreme Court Justice Steven Breyer, and New York Times columnist Thomas Friedman, among others.

INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING

While at Yale, World Fellows bring their culturally and professionally diverse perspectives to discussions, both formal and informal, across the campus. Each Fellow is invited to be a featured speaker in the World Fellows Lecture Series aimed at a University-wide audience.

THE WORLD FELLOWS NETWORK

World Fellows develop invaluable contacts in the U.S. academic and professional communities and have access to the extensive network of Yale University graduates around the world. To keep these relationships alive, all past World Fellows are invited to a biennial "Return to Yale Forum."



The World Fellows Program has been immensely valuable to me in expanding my knowledge base – helping me to understand global issues and to synthesize competing world views."

Brigadier General Michael J. Ward, Canada

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